

**Town of Shrewsbury - Board of Selectmen
Richard D. Carney Municipal Office Building-Selectmen's Meeting Room
100 Maple Avenue
Monday, April 24, 2006 at 7:00 PM**

Minutes

Present:

Bruce Card, Maurice DePalo, Thomas Fiore, Philip Hammond, John Lebeaux and Daniel Morgado, Town Manager. Mr. Lebeaux called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Preliminaries:

1. Approve bills, payrolls and warrants, #0683 in the amount of \$309,363.87, and #0686 in the amount of \$1,823,128.81. Motion made, seconded and unanimously approved.
2. Approve Minutes of April 3, 2006 and April 10, 2006. Motion made, seconded and unanimously approved.
3. Announcements – Mr. Lebeaux advised that the Board of Health will hold their annual drop-off for televisions and computers next Saturday, April 29th at the Sherwood Middle School from 9:00am-1:00pm. Cell phones, rechargeable batteries, mercury thermometers and thermostats will be accepted at no charge. There will be a \$10 charge for computers including monitors and peripherals. Staples will collect the computers and give out a limited number of coupons good for \$10 off a \$40 purchase or more. Please note the change in location from previous years. SELCO will be holding their Annual Arbor Day Celebration on Saturday as well at Oak Middle School from 9:00am-1:00pm. There will be a free tree giveaway for Shrewsbury residents (proof will be required). Many other activities are planned as well. Mr. Lebeaux noted the passing of Mike Jardarian, COA driver. He will be missed by those at the Senior Center and by his many friends and relatives. The Board extended their condolences to the family.
4. Town Manager's Report – Nothing other than what is on the Agenda.

Public Hearings:

5. 7:05pm – L, C & T Inc. d/b/a Francesca's, 79 South Quinsigamond Avenue, Louis Karageorgis, manager, Common Victualler's License. Hours of Operation: Monday-Saturday 8:00am to 8:00pm. Mr. Karageorgis was present. Mr. Lebeaux advised that that all department head reports were favorable. He asked Mr. Karageorgis what his plans were for this business. Mr. Karageorgis told the Board that he presently owns Dean Park Pizza and would like to purchase Francesca's Deli. He has no plans to change the operation. Everything would remain the same as it is at present with the same hours of operation. Mr. Lebeaux asked for questions from the Board and as there were none he opened to hearing to the public. Robert Koenig, Janet Circle, asked if there were any plans to change the parking configuration as parking is very limited. Mr. Karageorgis said no changes are planned. Motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to close the hearing. Motion was made to approve the application of Louis Karageorgis for a Common Victualler's License for Francesca's Deli, 79 South Quinsigamond Avenue, hours Monday-Saturday 8:00am-8:00pm. Motion was seconded and unanimously voted.
6. 7:15pm – Papa Gino's, Inc. d/b/a Papa Gino's, 20 Boston Turnpike, White City Shopping Center-West, Aaron Barrett, manager, Common Victualler's License. Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday 10:30am to 10:00pm, Friday-Saturday 10:30am to 11:00pm & Sunday 11:30am to 10:00pm. Carlos Davis, representative of Papa Gino's, was present and advised the Board that Papa Gino's would like to open a restaurant at the White City West location which would be located behind Citizens Bank, facing Austin Liquors with the main entrance facing Panera Bread. This would be a typical Papa Gino's operation with their standard menu and would have 70 seats. He added that the Planning Board had approved the project. Mr. Lebeaux advised that all reports from department heads were favorable. Mr. Davis added that they plan to pursue a patio addition through the Zoning Board and a liquor license when approvals are received. Mr. Lebeaux opened the hearing to the public. Robert Koenig, Janet Circle, asked about Papa Gino's hiring practices. Mr. Davis responded. Motion was made, seconded and

unanimously voted to close the hearing. Motion was made to approve the application of Papa Gino's, 20 Boston Turnpike, for a Common Victualler's License.

7. 7:30pm - Street Acceptances. Jack Perreault and Walter Castagna of the Engineering Dept. were present. Mr. Perreault advised that there are sixteen streets on the list for acceptance as public ways. They are: Arbor Drive, Argila Lane, Beths Road, Carriage Hill Road, Cox Lane, Grist Mill Circle, Jane Street, Lahinch Lane, Sheryl Drive, Stone Meadow Farm Drive, Tralee Lane, Turtle Creek Circle, and Waterville Lane. Also portions of: Adams Road, Birch Lane, and Stonybrook Lane. There are a few streets on the list that are almost totally completed that Engineering will check prior to Town Meeting to make sure they are done. Mr. Perreault added that there are several open space parcels on the list for acceptance, they are: Noble Oaks Estates: Parcel A, Prospect Hill: Parcel H, Southwoods: Parcel B & C, and Stonybrook Farms II: Open Space parcel. All are open space parcels only and not for use as play grounds, etc. Mr. Lebeaux opened the hearing to the public and as there was no public comment, motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to close the hearing. Motion was made to approve for presentation at Town Meeting, the streets and open space parcels on the list, contingent upon inspection by the Engineering Dept. Motion was seconded and unanimously voted.

Old Business:

8. Water Rate Structure. Water Rate Structure. Mr. Lebeaux abstained from the discussion to avoid the appearance of conflict of interest and Mr. Fiore assumed the chair. Mr. Fiore reviewed the Board's previous discussion regarding water rates. Mr. Morgado outlined the proposed rate structure noting that Shrewsbury has not increased water rates for the purposes of raising revenue since 1991. The increase is necessary due to infrastructure improvements as part of the Town's effort to comply with state mandates. The Town must reduce daily water consumption down to 65 gallons per day per person as mandated by DEP. Mr. Morgado recommended the following: 1) Adopt a new residential (WATER) rate of \$16.50 minimum and a sliding scale of \$2.85/\$5.20 and \$6.35. 2) Adopt a \$4.50/1,000 gallon flat rate for WATLAW, WATERS, WATALN, WATCML and WATCNL (no change for WATSCL) rates. These rates apply to lawn watering which DEP considers a non essential use. 3) Adopt a \$3.45/1,000 gallon flat for the WATRA (apartment) rate. 4) Adopt the rate of \$16.50 minimum and a sliding scale of \$2.85/\$5.20 and \$6.35 for the WATCM and WATCNL (commercial and condominium) rates. No change for WATSCH (school and municipal) rate. After a discussion, the Board moved to adopt Mr. Morgado's recommendation for residential (WATER) rates. Motion was seconded and voted four in favor with one abstention. Motion was made to adopt the recommendation for the apartment (WATRA) rate. Motion was seconded and voted four in favor with one abstention. Motion was made to adopt the recommendation for commercial and condominium (WATCM and WATCNL) rates with no change to the school and municipal (WATSCH) rate. Motion was seconded and voted four in favor with one abstention. Mr. DePalo suggested that the recommendation for lawn watering be scaled higher for usage over 60,000 from \$4.50/1,000 gallon flat rate to \$4.75/1,000 flat rate. Motion was made to adopt a \$4.50/1,000 flat rate for usage up to 59,999 gallons and \$4.75/1,000 flat rate for usage 60,000 and up for lawn watering (WATLAW, WATERS, WATALN, WATCML and WATCNL with no change for WATSCL). Motion was seconded and voted four in favor with one abstention. Mr. Morgado noted that these rates will become effective with August readings. Customers will receive a mailing regarding the rate changes. The August bill will reflect water consumption for the months of late April, May, June and a portion of July.
9. Act on Local Preference Policy. Act on Local Preference Policy. Mr. Morgado reviewed discussions with Avalon-Shrewsbury regarding the local preference policy. He advised that local preference would apply to 44 out of the 63 affordable units at Avalon-Shrewsbury. The Dept. of Housing and Community Development agreed with the proposed policy with the exception of the amount of time an individual had to be employed by the Town of Shrewsbury and a resident of the Town. Mr. Morgado asked the Board to approve the revised plan. Motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to approve the revised Local Preference Policy. On a roll call vote, Mr. Fiore, yes, Mr. DePalo, yes, Mr. Card, yes, Mr. Hammond, yes, and Mr. Lebeaux, yes. Mr. Morgado advised that applications are available in the Town

Manager's Office, on the Town web site and on Avalon's web site. Those interested in applying should do so by June 24th. The Town Manager's Office will monitor.

New Business:

10. Approve renewal of Garage Licenses to expire 4/30/06. Mr. Fiore recused himself to avoid the appearance of conflict of interest. Motion was made to approve Garage License renewals pending receipt of application and fees. Motion was seconded and voted four in favor with one abstention.
11. Approve renewal of Junk Dealer's Licenses to expire 5/1/06. Motion was made to approve Junk Dealer's License renewals pending receipt of application and fees. Motion was seconded and unanimously voted to approve.
12. Creedon & Co., Inc., 39 Jolma Road, Worcester, MA, One Day All Alcohol License for Parks & Recreation Special Friends event at Donahue Rowing Center, 237 No. Quinsigamond Ave., Thursday, June 1, 2006 from 5:00pm to 10:00pm. Motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to approve the application as stated by Creedon & Co., Inc.
13. Memo from Chief Sampson re Spring Street Crosswalk. Mr. Morgado has backup on this request and will distribute. Hold for May 8th meeting.
14. Pepper's Fine Foods Catering, 43 Hudson Street, Northborough, MA, One Day Wine & Malt Beverages License for event at Hoagland-Pincus Conference Center, 222 Maple Avenue, Tuesday, April 25, 2006 from 5:30pm to 9:00pm. Motion as made, seconded and unanimously voted to approve the Pepper's Fine Foods Catering application as stated.
15. Pepper's Fine Foods Catering, 43 Hudson Street, Northborough, MA, One Day All Alcohol License for Bar Mitzvah luncheon at Hoagland-Pincus Conference Center, 222 Maple Avenue, Saturday, May 13, 2006 from 5:30pm to 9:00pm. Motion as made, seconded and unanimously voted to approve the Pepper's Fine Foods Catering application as stated.

Mr. Lebeaux stated that he, and other Board members, had received an inquiry regarding parking on Tatum Road. Mr. Morgado to refer the matter to Chief Sampson for recommendation.

Executive Session:

16. Collective bargaining, pending litigation and value of real property.

Communication:

17. Noted copy mailed: E-mail from Lisa Cossette, 23 Stonybrook Lane, re Structural Deficit Task Force.
18. Noted copy mailed: E-mail from William Harper, 132 High Street, re removal of trees on High Street.
19. Noted copy mailed: Announcement from Executive Office of Environmental Affairs of FY 2007 grand round of Self-Help & Urban Self-Help Programs.
20. Noted copy mailed: Commonwealth of Mass. Standard Contractor Evaluation Form.
21. Noted copy mailed: Letter from Rep. Polito re House Ways & Means FY 2007 Budget Recommendations. The budget is still under study. Hopefully the final version will be more positive for Shrewsbury.
22. Noted copy mailed: Letter from Office of Administration & Finance, Div. of Capital Asset Management, Office of Leasing & State Office Planning re Commonwealth's Search for Lease Space.
23. Noted copy mailed: MMA Action Alert #4, 4/10/06, re House Ways & Means Budget Ends Lottery Diversion.
24. Noted copy mailed; Commission on the Status of Women "2006 Community Unsung Heroines" announcement.
25. Noted copy mailed: E-mail from Steve Levine, 63 Lamplighter Drive, re Study Committee. Mr. Levine has expressed interest in serving on the Study Committee. All those interested should contact the Board. Members will be appointed prior to Town Meeting.
26. Noted copy mailed: E-mail from Christine Juetten, 41 Stonybrook Lane, re Study Committee.
27. Noted copy mailed: Petition for Zoning Change. Refer to Planning Board.
28. Noted copy mailed: E-mail from Scott & Lisa Cossette, 23 Stonybrook Lane, re Facilities.

29. Noted copy mailed: ZBA Hearing Minutes, 3/29/06, Con-Way Transportation Services, Inc., 625 Hartford Turnpike.
30. Noted copy mailed: Westborough Treatment Plant Board Meeting Minutes, 3/8/06.
31. Noted copy mailed: Request from the Friends of the Shrewsbury Public Library to hold two concerts on the Town Common. The first on Friday, July 21, 2006 at 6:00pm, with a rain date of Sunday, July 23, 2006 at 2:00pm, and the second on Thursday, August 10, 2006 at 6:00pm, with a rain date of Sunday, August 13, 2006. Motion was made, seconded and unanimously voted to approve the request. Board will look into after Town Meeting.
32. Noted copy mailed: MMA Action #5, 4/13/06, re House Budget Debate Must Address Chapter 70 Shortfall.
33. Noted copy mailed: Street Sweeping Report from Highway Supt. John Knipe. Sweeping is 35% complete.
34. Noted copy mailed: Veolia Water Monthly Compliance Report, March 2006.
35. Noted copy mailed: E-mail from James Kane, 32 Main Circle, re Study Committee.
36. Noted copy mailed: E-mail Marian Smith, 175 North Street, re Study Committee.
37. Noted copy mailed: CMRPC Newsletter, April 2006.
38. Noted copy mailed: City & Town, Vol. 19, No. 4 - April 2006.
39. Noted copy mailed: School Committee Meeting Agenda, 4/26/06.
40. Noted copy mailed: Letter from Town Engineer Jack Perreault re High Street Improvements. Mr. Perreault's response to Mr. Harper (see item #18).
41. Noted copy mailed: Abutter Notifications re Sidewalk Construction on High Street. Project beginning this week.
42. Noted copy mailed; E-mail from Jane Dylewicz, 7 Sunflower Circle, re Driveway repair. Engineering will contact Ms. Dylewicz.

As this was Mr. Hammond's last meeting as a member of the Board of Selectmen, he took the opportunity to thank his fellow Board members, the Town Manager and the residents of Shrewsbury for making his term a pleasant experience.

Mr. Lebeaux reminded residents that there is a Special Town Meeting scheduled for tomorrow evening at the High School at 7:00pm regarding fire facilities.

Motion was made, seconded, and unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:35pm. On a roll call vote Mr. Fiore, yes, Mr. DePalo, yes, Mr. Card, yes, Mr. Hammond, yes, and Mr. Lebeaux, yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice C. McCoy
Secretary